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Dear fellows and friends,

We hope that you have all had a restful summer break and a good start to the 2024/2025 winter semester.

In the past weeks, the Zukunftskolleg has welcomed eight new ZUKOnnect and four new Postdoctoral Fellows as well as a Senior and a Research Visit Fellow to the Zukunftskolleg. We had several calls for applications: 2-year Postdoctoral and ZENiT Fellowships and a call within the European Constructive Advanced Thinking (CAT) initiative.

As always, we look forward to the many exciting events and productive discussions in the coming weeks!

Warmest regards,

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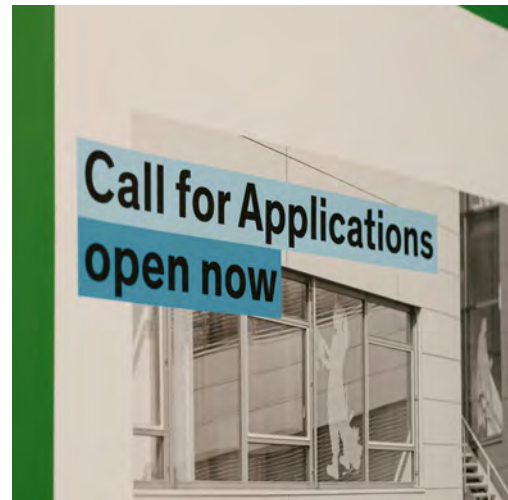
Current/latest calls for applications

Recent call for five 2-year Postdoctoral Fellowships at the Zukunftskolleg

The Zukunftskolleg has closed its 19th **call for applications for three 2-year Postdoctoral Fellowships** (the closing date for applications was 2 September 2024).

Postdoctoral Fellowships are intended for researchers in the early stages of their careers who plan to develop and implement an independent research project. The fellowships are open to researchers from all fields represented at the University of Konstanz. Each fellow is a member of both a university department and the Zukunftskolleg. In addition, Zukunftskolleg fellows can be affiliated to the Clusters of Excellence at the University of Konstanz: “Centre for the Advanced Study of Collective Behaviour” or “Politics of Inequality”.

We received 337 applications in total, of which – after a formal eligibility check – 110 were eligible: 40 from female and 70 from male researchers; 10 applications came from Germany, 100 from 36 different countries. In a first pre-selection, the Recruitment Committee will choose the final candidates, who will be peer-reviewed. In its meeting on 17 January 2025, the Committee will decide which three candidates will be offered a 2-year Postdoctoral Fellowship.



Second call for applications for ZENiT Fellowships at the Zukunftskolleg

The Zukunftskolleg launched its **second call for ZENiT Fellowships**. ZENiT stands for “Zukunftskolleg Exchange Network: interdisciplinary Talent” and aims to enable the University of Konstanz’s postdoctoral researchers (with a temporary or tenure-track position) to establish interdisciplinary working groups that meet in Konstanz for a period of three years. The working group can, for example, develop new research ideas, write a book or apply for funding together in addition to many other activities.

Application deadline was 15 October 2024.



New Call for Applications: Constructive Advanced Thinking 2025

Together with our sister institutes in Europe, the Zukunftskolleg launched the 2025 call for funding for research groups – **Constructive Advanced Thinking** – in short CAT.


CAT is an open international call designed to foster interdisciplinary research teams of promising young individuals wishing to address emergent societal issues with fresh ideas.

The target group is early career researchers (doctoral degree after 2015, group leader needs to be employed at a European institution) with an interest in forming an international, interdisciplinary team of 3-5 excellent early career researchers to pursue a research project in the next 2-3 years, visiting different European Institutes for Advanced Study (members of NetIAS) for a short visit during the project.

Deadline for applications was 15 September 2024. Three CAT groups have applied. The decision will be made at the end of the year.

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Welcoming of new members to the Zukunftskolleg

We welcome Postdoctoral Fellow Angelo Neira to the Zukunftskolleg

Angelo Neira is one of our new Postdoctoral Fellows from the 18th call for applications for 2-year Fellowships. He started his fellowship in May and is affiliated with the **Department of Computer and Information Science**.

Angelo Neira completed his doctoral degree in chemistry at the University of Chile between 2017 and 2022. He also completed his bachelor's degree in environmental chemistry and his master's degree in chemistry

at the same university. He was a ZUKOnnect Fellow in 2022 (during his doctoral degree), which was, in his own words, “the most postdoctoral-like experience I have had”.

He is interested in human-soil interaction: “Mainly the ways we represent soils – generally as resources, but sometimes as something else: our territory, our history, our identity – and the impacts of these representations in our world, e.g. sustainability, soil protection and social/ personal beliefs,” says Angelo.

“My current research focuses on soil pollution and socio-environmental decisions in contexts of environmental concern, such as agriculture. From a physicochemical perspective, soil pollution is addressed through sorption coefficients (i.e. the retention of pollutants on the soil surface), applying several approaches, assumptions and experimental designs.” In this sense, his

project, entitled “Understanding the Environmental Fate of Organic Pollutants on Soils: Correlational and Causal Evidence on Sorption Coefficients”, encompasses two big questions: (1) How do scientists represent the sorption process? And (2) how can this diverse (sometimes incompatible) information be used to make reliable, evidence-based decisions in local and global contexts of environmental concern?

“The first question will be addressed through a systematic review (initial pool of ~9,000 scientific articles), identifying and classifying different ways to produce sorption data, to then extract quantitative information and contrast correlational evidence and interpretations to determine potential causal associations within/among studies and approaches, i.e. how the representational value of data is linked to knowledge in different lines of evidence,” he explains. The second question will consider the connection between scientific and regulatory concepts and needs as well as explore simplification tools for the reliable and efficient use of data in decision-making processes.

We wish him all the best for his project and for his time at the Zukunftscolleg!



We welcome Postdoctoral Fellow Henrique Almeida de Castro to the Zukunftscolleg

Henrique Almeida de Castro is one of our new Postdoctoral Fellows from the 18th call for applications for 2-year Fellowships. He started his fellowship in May and is affiliated with the **Department of History and Sociology** as well as the **Cluster of Excellence “The Politics of Inequality”**.

Henrique Almeida de Castro completed his bachelor's degree in law (2016) and his doctoral degree in law and political economy (2022) at the University of São Paulo. During his doctoral studies, he was a visiting fellow at the Ash Center for Democratic Governance and Innovation, part of Harvard Kennedy School. He subsequently worked as a postdoctoral researcher at the Center for Law and Political Economy of FGV São Paulo Law School. His main research interests revolve around state-society relations, including participatory democracy, corporatism and the co-production of enforcement. He is also interested in conceptual issues surrounding institutional theory. His research has featured in journals such as *Political Studies* and *Law & Social Inquiry*.



His research project at the Zukunftskolleg is entitled “Curbing Labour Violations in Hard-to-Reach Places: Brazilian Rural Unions’

Strategic Repertoires within Global Value Chains”. Brazil’s secluded rural workplaces present an extreme case of enforcement difficulty due to limited access and information for authorities, and it is known that their successes have depended on the cooperation of local rural unions. Yet, we understand little about these unions, including the conditions they face, the strategies available to them, and why they may behave in specific ways and not others. The research will draw on fieldwork and interviews to conceptualize and explain unions’ repertoires of organizational tactics in such hard-to-reach places.

We wish him all the best for his project and for his time at the Zukunftskolleg!



We welcome Postdoctoral Fellow Julia Ditter to the Zukunftskolleg

Julia Ditter is one of our new Postdoctoral Fellows from the 18th call for applications for 2-year Fellowships. She started her fellowship in June and is affiliated with the **Department of Literature**.

Julia Ditter holds a BA and MA in British and North American Cultural Studies from the University of Konstanz. In 2022 she successfully completed her doctoral thesis at Northumbria University, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, before returning to Germany to work as an associate lecturer at the universities of Freiburg and Trier. Julia joined the University

of Konstanz as a postdoctoral fellow at the Centre of Cultural Inquiry in June 2023.

Julia's main research areas are in British literature (C19-C21), Scottish literature, environmental humanities, cultural studies and critical theory, border studies, new formalism, energy humanities and infrastructure studies. In her previous research, Julia has focused on the relationship between borders and the environment in Scottish literature from the nineteenth-century to the present, which resulted in a monograph forthcoming with Bloomsbury.

Her research project at the Zukunftskolleg is entitled "Energy Infrastructures and the Nineteenth-Century Periodical Press" and examines representations of energy infrastructures in the Anglophone periodical press of the nineteenth century, focusing in particular on British and Antipodean periodical

publications. The project contributes to understanding the social, material and affective foundations of the (Western) reliance on fossil fuels by examining another age of energy transition, the nineteenth century, and exploring the foundations of dominant understandings of fossil energy. The project posits that the periodical press of the nineteenth century played a central role in the creation of systems and epistemologies of energy that continue to structure our understanding of and relationship with energy today. Through a reading of the mass medium of the periodical press, Julia examines the role that literary and cultural production play in mediating energy transition and reflecting on the process through which fossil fuels have come to form the energetic and ideational infrastructure of our lives in the West: from institutions, political systems and global networks to cultural practices, social formations and literary forms.

We wish her all the best for her project and for her time at the Zukunftskolleg!



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We welcome Postdoctoral Fellow Katerina Suverina to the Zukunftskolleg

Katerina Suverina is one of our new Postdoctoral Fellows from the 18th call for applications for 2-year Fellowships. She started her fellowship on 1 October and is affiliated with the **Department of History and Sociology**.

Her research project at the Zukunftskolleg is entitled "Biopolitical Violence and a Society of Hope: HIV/AIDS in the Late USSR" and focuses on the cultural

history of the HIV/AIDS epidemic in the late USSR. The project aims to examine how the HIV/AIDS has been imagined at the intersections of fear, angst, and, unexpectedly, hope in popular Soviet lay press and visual materials, in personal letters written by Soviet citizens, among health professionals and Soviet officials. One of the main research questions guiding her project is: How did different actors in the Soviet system contribute to the creation of a discourse of inverted care and the culture of stigma? How did the stigmatised image of HIV-positive people contribute to the spread and consolidation of conspiracy theories, fear and almost pervasive dehumanisation during the late Soviet period?



The project is based on unique archival materials – numerous official documents (more than 2500 archival lists), personal letters, newspaper and magazine articles (from 1981 to 1995), photos of the 2nd Epidemiological Hospital in Moscow, Soviet brochures on the HIV/AIDS epidemic and sexual education, etc. – which were collected in the period from 2020 to 2022.

We wish her all the best for her project and for her time at the Zukunftskolleg!



We welcome Research Visit Fellow Shao-Min Hung to the Zukunftskolleg

Between October and December 2024, **Shao-Min Hung** from our partner institute in Tokyo – the **Waseda Institute for Advanced Study**, Waseda University, Japan – is visiting the Zukunftskolleg as a Research Visit Fellow. He is from the Department of Psychology and his research project is on “Attentional Modulation in the Unconscious Sensory World”.



We welcome Senior Fellow Gloriana Chaverri to the Zukunftskolleg

Between August and November 2024, **Senior**

Fellow Gloriana Chaverri from the **Universidad de Costa Rica** is visiting the Zukunftskolleg. She is from the Department of Biology and was invited by Gabriella Gall. Her project focuses on “Group Cohesion in Animal Societies”.



We welcome Senior Fellow David Gugerli to the Zukunftskolleg

In the winter semester 2024/2025, **Senior Fellow David Gugerli** who is also **member of the Scientific Advisory Board**, is visiting the Zukunftskolleg. He is from the Department of History and Sociology at the **ETH Zürich**. His current research project is dedicated to the formatting achievements of bureaucratic *contre rôles*. How do inhabitants, soldiers or employees become the commodities of state, military and corporate administrative apparatuses in the 20th century?



New ZUKOnnect Fellows at the Zukunftskolleg



from left to right: Antonieta Martínez Guerrero, Pihal Deepak, Swadhin Agrawal, Patrick Jules Atagana, Haoyu Zhao, Cinthia Sayuri Misaka, Francisco Fuica Villagra and Elisa María Sol Porcel

We cordially welcome our **new ZUKOnnect Fellows** who joined the Zukunftscolleg on 1 July 2024 online for one year. From October until December/January, they are on campus. Our new members are:

Antonieta Martínez Guerrero, Mexico

Department of Computer and Information Science
 Project: Construction and Analysis of the Functional Network of the C58/J Strain: Brain Connectivity and Complexity in a Murine Model of Autism
 Local host: Ahmed El Hady

Pihal Deepak, India

Department of Politics and Public Administration
 Project: Unveiling Obstetric Violence: Exploring its Impact on Maternal Mental Health and Birth Outcomes in Rural Jharkhand, India
 Local hosts: Anke Höffler & Abena Yalley

Swadhin Agrawal, India

Department of Computer and Information Science
 Project: Exploring Collective Motion Through Evolutionary Game Theory
 Local host: Liang Li

Patrick Jules Atagana, Cameroon

Department of Biology
 Project: The influence of landscape phenology and climate on collective roosting in straw-coloured fruit bats
 Local hosts: Meg Crofoot & Dina Dechmann

Haoyu Zhao, China

Department of History and Sociology
 Project: Housing strategies, living arrangements and intra-family politics of migrant families in a small Chinese city
 Local host: Susanne Strauss

Cinthia Sayuri Misaka, Brazil

Department of Linguistics
 Project: Cross-linguistic study on the processing of language production and understanding in children with ASD
 Local host: Theodoros Marinis

Francisco Fuica Villagra, Chile

Department of Mathematics and Statistics

Project: Efficient numerical characterization in multiobjective pointwise tracking optimal control problems
Local host: Stefan Volkwein

Elisa María Sol Porcel, Argentina

Department of Biology

Project: Metabolism in lakes of Strobel Lake Plateau (Patagonian Steppe, Argentina)

Local host: Frank Peeters

We are very happy to attract new people from different countries, such as India, Cameroon, Argentina and China, and from various disciplines, ranging from linguistics, history and sociology to computer and information science as well as biology.

You can find more information about the ZUKOnnect Fellows [here](#).



Review of events

Zukunftskolleg Scientific Retreat at Hohenfels Castle



From 17 to 19 September, the Zukunftskolleg members gathered at **Schloss Hohenfels** for their **Scientific Retreat**.

The topic of the retreat was “Academic Values”, since the fellows decided – after a Jour fixe discussion in January 2024 – that “academic values” are so important and topical that they should be discussed at the Zukunftskolleg’s Scientific Retreat.

To gain an outside perspective on the topic, we invited Jan-Martin Wiarda, a well-known education and science journalist in Germany, to give a public lecture at Hohenfels Castle. He kicked off the Scientific Retreat on Tuesday afternoon and spoke about “The Value of Academic Values”. Without claiming to present a complete list, he presented “his” seven academic values – impartiality, truthfulness, transparency, fairness, diversity, performance orientation and social responsibility – and talked about their interdependencies and what they should mean both to academics at the beginning of

their scientific career and to academic institutions.

On Wednesday, the fellows continued their discussion about academic values, which was moderated by Harald Köhl (die regionauten). The final goal of this workshop was to write a value statement about the Zukunftskolleg.

The Scientific Retreat ended with a dinner and get-together in the evening and a trip to Überlingen the next day. Thanks to all participants for your input!



Summer school in Kosovo



Initiated by **Research Fellow Armin Bahl**, six researchers from the University of Konstanz's Centre for the Advanced Study of Collective Behaviour offered an exciting week of teaching in Prishtina.

They organized the **1st Summer School for Behavioural Neurobiology in Kosovo**. Around 20 undergraduate students from the University of Prishtina had the opportunity to obtain a hands-on perspective of the research landscape in Konstanz.

Read more: <https://www.exc.uni-konstanz.de/collective-behaviour/research/education/behavioural-neurobiology-summer-school-in-kosovo/>

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Forthcoming events

Jour fixe



Welcome to the 2024-25 winter semester / poster session / 2024-25 ZUKOnnect cohort

22.10.2024
Y 326 / hybrid

Shao-Min Hung (Research Visit Fellow / Psychology): “Attentional Modulation in the Unconscious Sensory World”

29.10.2024
Y 326 / hybrid

Gloriana Chaverri (Senior Fellow / Biology): “Group stability in Bats and Beyond”

05.11.2024
Y 326 / hybrid

Pitch Workshop by Academic Staff Development: Presentation Skills

12.11.2024, 13:00-17:00
Y 326 / hybrid

Open Jour fixe / Zukunftskolleg open door during Postdoc Week from 18-22 November

19.11.2024
Y 326 / hybrid

Angelo Javier Neira Albornoz (Postdoctoral Fellow / Computer and Information Science): “Soils: An Intersection of Nature and Society”

26.11.2024
Y 326 / hybrid

Anja Oberländer & Martina Benz (KIM / Open Access): Open Access Strategies

03.12.2024
Y 326 / hybrid

Workshop with Martin Buber Society of Fellows: 3-minute pitch talks by MBS fellows

10.12.2024
Y 326 / hybrid

1. Assembly of Members: Election of one member for the Executive Committee

2. Discussion about academic values and self-censorship

3. Christmas get-together

17.12.2024
Y 326 / hybrid

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07.01.2025
Y 326 / hybrid

Karsten Lambers (Alumnus / Professor of Digital and Computational Archaeology, Faculty of Archaeology, University of Leiden, Netherlands)

Alumni Lecture, public event

14.01.2025
Y 326 / hybrid

Henrique Almeida de Castro (Postdoctoral Fellow / History and Sociology & Cluster of Excellence "The Politics of Inequality"): "Curbing Labour Violations in Hard-to-Reach Places: Brazilian Rural Unions' Strategic Repertoires within Global Value Chains"

21.01.2025
Y 326 / hybrid

Abena Yalley (ZENiT Research Fellow / Literature & Politics and Public Administration): "Abuse and humiliation in the delivery room: The horror of obstetric violence in Ghana" (working title)

28.01.2025
Y 326 / hybrid

Julia Ditter (Postdoctoral Fellow / Literature): "Energy Infrastructures and the Nineteenth-Century Periodical Press"

04.02.2025
Y 326 / hybrid

Alexandra Windsberger (ZENiT Research Fellow / Law): "Do I have to? An interdisciplinary and comparative legal investigation of punishable omission"

11.02.2025
Y 326 / hybrid



Executive Committee meetings

The meetings of the Executive Committee are on Wednesdays from 14:30 to 16:30. The next meetings are:

23 October 2024
(application deadline: 12:00 noon, Wednesday, 16 October)

4 December 2024
(application
deadline: 12:00
noon, Wednesday,
27 November)

15 January 2025
(application
deadline: 12:00
noon, Wednesday,
8 January)

5 February 2025
(application
deadline: 12:00
noon, Wednesday,
29 January)



Careers, distinctions and grants

Emmy Noether Grant for Daniela Rößler

Congratulations to **Postdoctoral Fellow Daniela Rößler**, who has received an **Emmy Noether Grant** from the German Research Foundation.

The behavioural ecologist will receive €1.5m in funding for her project “Sleeping with eight eyes open: morphology, function, ecology and evolution of sleep in spiders”.

The project focuses on a comprehensive investigation into sleep using spiders, combining approaches from behavioural ecology, neurophysiology and phylogenetics. This research programme will use spiders to enrich and expand our knowledge of the architecture, function, ecology and evolution of sleep, particularly REM sleep. Crucially, it will develop two novel frameworks: (1) sleep in a comparative evolutionary framework, and (2) linking sleep and ecology.



“I am beyond thrilled and grateful to be able to start my own group and continue pursuing my research on spider sleep. We know so little about sleep in non-vertebrate animals, let alone how they sleep in the wild – I can’t wait to explore questions around how important sleep is for these tiny creatures, how and how much they sleep in the wild, and to find out how sleep evolved in spiders. This achievement was made possible by the independence and support that the Zukunftskolleg gave me in the last three years, as well as by my fabulous students, mentors and awesome collaborators, and also by the constant support of my family.”

Daniela Rößler has been a Fellow at the Zukunftskolleg since June 2021.

Read more about Daniela Rößler: <https://danielaroessler.weebly.com/>



Emmy Noether Grant and ESHMS Excellence Prize for Ariane Bertogg

Congratulations to Zukunftskolleg Fellow **Ariane Bertogg**, who has received an **Emmy Noether Grant** and also won the very first **“Health and Medical Sociology Excellence Prize”** in 2024.

For the next six years, the sociologist will receive €1.5m in funding from the German Research Foundation for her Emmy Noether project “Social Inequalities in Ageing Societies (SociAS): Work-Care-Reconciliation in Later Life and Their (Unequal) Health and Participation Consequences from a Comparative Welfare State Perspective”.

She is also the first winner of the “Health and Medical Sociology Excellence Prize” for her paper “Gendered life courses and cognitive functioning in later life: the role of context-specific gender norms and lifetime employment”, published in the European Journal of Ageing in 2023 and co-authored with Anja Leist.



In 2024, the European Society of Health and Medical Sociology (ESHMS) launched the inaugural edition of the “Health and Medical Sociology Excellence Prize”. This award aims to honour and recognize outstanding contributions in the field of health and medical sociology through the acknowledgement of the best paper published in a peer-reviewed journal over the past four years (<https://eshms.eu/funding/excellence-prize>).

Ariane Bertogg has been a Fellow at the Zukunftskolleg since April 2020.

Read more about Ariane Bertogg: <https://www.arianebertogg.com/>



Gisela Kopp new member of the University Council of Goethe University Frankfurt

We congratulate **Gisela Kopp** (Research Fellow / Biology and also a member of the Centre for the Advanced Study of Collective Behaviour and the Max Planck Institute of Animal Behaviour at the University of Konstanz), who has been appointed as a **member of the University Council of the Goethe University Frankfurt**.



As a “Stiftungsuniversität”, Goethe University Frankfurt is a university foundation under public law. In its Higher Education Act, the State of Hesse places academic supervision in the hands of the university’s governing bodies. The University Council, whose members come from outside Goethe University Frankfurt, and the Economic and Finance Committee, which is ultimately responsible for business matters, act as the university’s supervisory body.

In June 2023, Gisela Kopp was elected as the new Chair of Die Junge Akademie.

Read more:

<https://www.uni-frankfurt.de/37605537/hochschulrat>

<https://www.diejungeakademie.de/en/press/new-board-starts-work>



2024 Messmer Foundation Research Award for James Wilson

Congratulations to **James Wilson** (Postdoctoral Fellow / History and Sociology), who is one of the winners of the 2024 **Messmer Foundation Research Award** conferred by the Werner and Erika Messmer Foundation.

Since 2020, this award has recognized outstanding research from any faculty at the University of Konstanz. This year, the honour is reserved for James Wilson’s work on “Colonialism, the ‘Counter-Crusade’ and the early development of Crusader studies”.

The prize is worth €10,000 and intended to support researchers in their further scientific work. The selection was made in a multi-stage procedure by the foundation and the Rectorate of the University of

Konstanz, in consultation with the faculties. Two members of the managing board of the Werner and Erika Messmer Foundation presented James with the award at the University of Konstanz's Dies academicus ceremony on 4 July 2024.



Manfred Ulmer Fellowship 2024 for ZUKOnnect Fellow Elisa María Sol Porcel

This year's **Manfred Ulmer Fellowship** has been awarded to **ZUKOnnect Fellow Elisa María Sol Porcel** – also during the Dies academicus at the University of Konstanz on 4 July.

Elisa María is a biologist from Argentina researching the metabolism of ecosystems in lakes on the Strobel Lake Plateau in Argentina.

In a video interview with Giovanni Galizia, Elisa María explains how much her research is enriched by comparing lakes in Argentina and Southwest Germany.

The Manfred Ulmer Fellowship is part of the ZUKOnnect Fellowship, which is aimed at early career researchers from Africa, Asia and South America.



Carl-Zeiss-Stiftung Nexus funding for ZENiT Fellow Jonas Kuckling

We congratulate **Jonas Kuckling** – ZENiT

Fellow from the Department of Computer and Information Science and a member of the Cluster of Excellence “Centre for the Advanced Study of Collective Behaviour” – who has received **€1.5m in funding from the Carl-Zeiss-Stiftung (CZS)**.

In his research project “Explainable Swarm Programming through Imitation Learning”, Jonas Kuckling will focus on how imitation learning can be used to programme robot swarms in order to deepen our understanding of natural collective behaviour. The aim of his work is to enable robots to learn new interactions just through observation and imitation in the future.

With the CZS Nexus programme, the Carl-Zeiss-Stiftung supports postdoctoral researchers in setting up interdisciplinary research groups. The funding amounts to up to €1.5m per junior research group over a period of five to six years. Research projects must be located at the interface between two or more disciplines in the fields of science, technology, engineering and mathematics.

More information about Jonas Kuckling:

<https://jonaskuckling.eu/>

More information on the CZS Nexus programme:

<https://www.carl-zeiss-stiftung.de/programm/czs-nexus>



Gruia Badescu selected as founding member of the Young Network TransEurope

Congratulations to **Research Fellow Gruia Badescu**: he has been selected as a **founding member of the Young Network TransEurope**, a new network of excellent mid-career scholars from Central and Eastern European countries, in a highly competitive process.

The Berlin-Brandenburg Academy of Sciences and Humanities (BBAW), Die Junge Akademie and their partner institutions, inter alia the Minister of State for Eastern Germany and the European Solidarity Centre in Gdansk, invited him to attend the conference “Reclaiming Europe” held at the European Solidarity Centre in Gdansk from 13-15 October 2024.



Christoph Markschies, president of the BBAW, said in his invitation: “He will gain new contacts across Europe and extend his professional networks. His attendance of the conference in Gdansk is of the highest importance, as he is part of the organizing

committee that is planning the event for a group of high-ranking international academics, politicians and other dignitaries and actors from civil societies across Europe.”



Jennifer Randerath appointed to professorship at the University of Regensburg

We congratulate our **former Research Fellow Jennifer Randerath**: she received two W3 professorship offers and has now accepted the **W3 Professorship of Clinical Neuropsychology and Neuropsychological Psychotherapy at the University of Regensburg** from 1 October 2024 onwards.

This will be accompanied by the establishment of a neuropsychological university outpatient clinic. “I am a proud former member of the Zukunftskolleg and appreciate the immense support that I received as a junior group leader at the University of Konstanz,” says Jennifer. “I am happy that all the support has finally paid off.”

Jennifer Randerath was a Research Fellow at the Zukunftskolleg from 2015 onwards, working on the project “Motor Cognition: Behavioural and Neural Principles as well as Clinical Implications”.

More information: <https://www.moco.uni-konstanz.de/>



Gisela Kopp invited to Japanese-American-German Frontiers of Science Symposium

We congratulate **Gisela Kopp** (ZENiT Research Fellow / Biology) who has received one of the coveted invitations to the **5th Japanese-American-German Frontiers of Science (JAGFOS) Symposium**. The JAGFOS Symposium is organized by the Humboldt Foundation in cooperation with the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JPS) and the National Academy of Sciences and will

take place in Kyoto, Japan, from 24 to 27 October 2024.

The JAGFOS symposium offers outstanding researchers (up to 15 years after their doctorate) from Japan, the USA and Germany a platform for the international and interdisciplinary exchange of knowledge. They are challenged to question and expand the boundaries of their respective fields – for example through interdisciplinary discussions on current progress, innovative research and synergy potential.



To promote intensive exchange, the symposium is limited to 72 selected and personally invited scientists from the three partner countries.

https://www.jsps.go.jp/english/e-fos/e-jagfos/2024_05.html

